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Sir:

Applicants filed the attached letter with the payment of the issue fee and received a post-card acknowledging receipt of the Letter by the Patent Office on July 13, 2005 (copy enclosed).

The Letter is not listed on the Transaction History and is not available through the Image File Wrapper in public PAIRS. Consequently, applicants are resubmitting the Letter to ensure that it is considered by the Patent Office.

The Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the below-listed direct dial telephone number concerning this matter or any other matters concerning the subject patent application or USSN 10/760,339.

Respectfully submitted,

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Sir:

This letter is submitted to point to an inconsistency in status of the subject patent application and USSN 10/760,339. This matter was discussed over the telephone with Examiner's Seidleck and Richter in order to obtain guidance concerning how to proceed on June 29, 2005.

Applicants have filed a terminal disclaimer against USSN 10/760,339 in the subject patent application.

The subject patent application is allowed. It contains claims directed to a process for the manufacture of polytrimethylene ether glycol. The invention, as described in claim 1, comprises polycondensing 1,3-propanediol reactant (and 20 weight % or less of comonomer diol) to form a polytrimethylene ether glycol at less than one atmosphere pressure using a polycondensation catalyst.

USSN 10/760,339 contains claims directed to a continuous process of making polytrimethylene ether glycol. Claim 83 is focused on continuously polycondensing a 1,3-propanediol reactant to polytrimethylene ether glycol in a reactor at a pressure of less than one atmosphere. Other pending claims also recite carrying out the process at low pressure, and include claims 54-59, 63 and 84-89. These claims stand rejected under 35

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U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Morris et al., U.S. Patent No. 2,520,733, in view of Wagner et al, WO 98/27123, corresponding to U.S. Patent No. 6,187,898 B1.

Applicants are paying the issue fee for the subject patent application herewith, and are filing a request for continued examination in USSN 10/760,339.

Applicants submit that the claims of the subject patent application are allowable and request that the Patent Office continue to pass the subject application to issue.

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